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This communication is a response to a Notification of a Non-Compliant Appeal Brief having a mailing date of 03/11/2008 and setting forth a period of reply of one month which would expire on 04/11/2008.

The notification states that the brief does not contain a correct copy of claim 1 in the amendment filed on 03/10/2006.

An amended claim I in its proper form is hereby presented:

1. (previously amended) A shade and rain umbrella combination including a basic umbrella having a shaft and expanding ribs at a top of said shaft, a shade cover placed over said ribs and fastened to a peripheral point at the end of said ribs, said shade cover consisting of a woven mesh fabric for protection against ultraviolet rays of the sun but at the same time allowing ventilation air to pass through said fabric, a separable water proof rain cover is placed over said shade cover in the event of rain, said rain cover is substantially the same size as said shade cover, means for fastening said rain cover to said peripheral point at each of the ends of said ribs, whereby said shade cover is used in sunshine and said rain cover is added in the event of rain but kept separate otherwise.

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